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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 99,499)

In the Application of:)
Chou et al.)
Serial No.: 08/903,944) Examiner: D. Fox
Filing Date: July 31, 1997) Group Art Unit: 1649
For: Production of Transgenic Poinsettia)

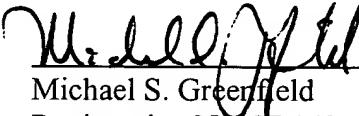
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Action mailed July 7, 1999. A response will be due, therefore, on January 7, 2000. A check in the amount of \$870.00 is enclosed. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,


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